GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
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OFFICERS ON DEPUTATION
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the maximum period of deputation of any employee cannot exceed five years under any circumstances and the borrowing department has to take steps to borrow another deputationists well before the term of the official going to expire;

(b) if so, the reasons for instructions not being followed by borrowing departments and the lending departments not taking steps to get back his employee from deputation;

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to ensure strict compliance of the rules, regulations and instructions; and

(d) the number of senior officers on deputation over five years, four years and three years as on date, Ministry-wise, and the steps taken to repatriate them?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS` WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) (b)&(c) The conditions governing the extension of tenure of deputation are contained in the O.M.No.2/29/91-Estt.(Pay.II) dated 5.1.94. Normal tenure of deputation is prescribed in Recruitment Rules of ex-cadre posts. Any Government official/officer can go on deputation/foreign service from parent department to borrowing department for a maximum of 3 years in all cases except for those posts where a longer period of tenure is prescribed in Recruitment Rules. The extension of deputation/foreign service beyond 3 years and upto one year or for the first year in excess of the normal tenure is allowed by the borrowing Ministry/organisation after obtaining orders of their Secretary(in the Central Government) and Chief Secretary

(in the State Government) and equivalent level officer in other cases where such extension is considered necessary in public interest. The borrowing Ministries/Departments/Organisations are competent to extend the period of deputation for the fifth year or for the second year in excess of the period prescribed in the Recruitment Rules where aboslutely necessary in rare and exceptional circumstances and in public interest and with the specific prior approval of the concerned Minister of the borrowing organisation Ministry/Department and in respect of other organisation with the approval of the Minister of Ministry/Department with which they are administratively attached. Such relaxtion is with the prior apporval of the lending organisation, the UPSC/State Public Service Commission and Appointment of the Cabinet Committee(ACC) wherever necessary. In cases where extension is beyond the fifth year or second year in excess of the period prescribed in the Recruitment Rules, the same can be allowed only after obtaining the prior approval of the Department of Personnel & Training.

(d) Information regarding officers on deputation for over 3 years is not being maintained centrally.